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## COMMITTEE ON OVERHEAD RECONNAISSANCE

Minutes of Meeting Held in Room 429  
Matomic Building, Central Intelligence Agency  
at 9:30 am, 15 August 1961

## PRESIDING

James Q. Reber  
Chairman

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. H. M. Wiedemann, State	Cdr. H. D. Myles, ONI
Mr. H. C. Brown, OSD	Col. J. M. Winterbottom, AFCIN
Col. J. L. Cole, JCS	<span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span> NSA
Maj. J. D. Bowlby, OACSI	Mr. W. A. Tidwell, Jr., CIA

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## CONSULTANTS PRESENT

Lt. Cdr. R. E. Pyle, ONI  
Lt. Col. K. R. Duncan, AFCIN

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Recovery of Cuba

1. The Navy member presented a paper (NT-000186, 16 August) requesting the recovery of Cuba prior to the end of the month of August. The principal justification lies in the need for information regarding possible military developments in the vicinity of the Guantanamo Naval Base which bears upon the security of that base, circumstances surrounding Havana which would be relevant to emergency evacuation of American personnel from Cuba, and on the receipt and deployment of MIG aircraft.

2. The COMOR recommends that the proposed coverage be obtained, such coverage to include, where feasible other targets submitted by the Navy as well as other targets to be submitted by other members to the Chairman's office not later than the close of business on Friday, 18 August. It is understood that future coverage will be the subject of special consideration by the COMOR at such time as the matter is raised by a member of COMOR.

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Photographic Coverage of Hainan Island (Ref: NT-000183, 15 August)

3. In the reference memorandum the Navy representative recommended that TALENT coverage be obtained on the targets required on Communist China and North Vietnam with first priority to the South China island and North Vietnam but with advantage being taken of good weather over any of the targets in China as it appears. Navy requested the COMOR to continue to press for approval of overflight of Hainan Island.

4. The COMOR postponed consideration of this proposal pending a report on the accomplished but not yet reported recent coverage of North Vietnam which appears to have included good peripheral coverage of parts of Hainan Island.

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